



**Town of Mulgrave
Council Meeting Minutes
May 7th 2018**

Present: Mayor Hadley, Deputy Mayor Brophy, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Russell, Councillor Snow, CAO Jim Davis

Regrets:

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Mayor Hadley.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by C'lr Russell and seconded by C'lr Chisholm that the agenda be approved as circulated with the following additions

- Marina
- Tree cutting Main Street
- Garbage

Motion Carried

3. Minutes

Moved by C'lr Chisholm and seconded by C'lr Russell that the minutes of March 30th & April 3rd ,2018 be approved as presented .

Motion Carried

4. New Business/Correspondence

Traffic Concerns

Representatives, Blaise Cameron and Doug Leamon from N.S. Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal were on hand to discuss cargo securement ,road classification, mud and debris on highways ,as well as enforcement as it relates to the transporting of goods mainly to and from the Marine Terminal on Main Street. The Department's illustrated handout provided details on the rules and regulations governing these topics. Mr Cameron also gave feedback on the monitoring of the traffic and found most vehicles were in compliance and an overall improvement was noted as a higher presence was maintained by the Department and a number of tickets issued.

The maintenance of the exit points at the Zutphen quarry were also noted by Mr Cameron. Mud and debris were of concern to citizens during the winter and the quarry owner responded when approached by scale house personnel to keep the exit points clear .

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Mr Cameron also suggested that Town personnel contact vehicle inspection manager James Long (cell 902-867-7002) when encountering mud and debris on the road.

Manager Cameron also noted that the Town was responsible for signage in the Town limits. Doug Leamon offered to provide a listing of the types of signs available for traffic control and will forward to the Town Office. Manager Cameron in closing, invited phone calls when citizens have concerns with traffic (cell 902 621-4558)(e-mail Blaise.Cameron@novascotia.ca)

Mayor Hadley thanked Mr Cameron and Mr Leamon for their presentation.

5. Financial Report- Operating and Capital Budget Drafts 2018 2019

As part of the agenda package Draft Operating and Capital Budgets were disseminated. Mayor Hadley asked Council to review the two budgets and contact the CAO for clarification on any items. The Operating budget provides for maintenance of the overall residential and commercial tax rates at their current levels for 2018-2019. It is the intention that the budgets will be considered for approval at the May 22nd meeting of Town council.

6. Proposed Plastic Bag Ban Resolution

Eastern Solid Waste Resource Management Committee member D/M Sheila Brophy read a motion submitted by the Chair of our region (Region 2A) in support of enacting a province wide ban on single use plastic shopping bags, provided it is part of a province wide strategy (that focuses on Extended Producer Responsibility for Packaging and Paper to involve industry in the solution) and a promotion campaign to reduce use of all single use products.

Moved by D/M Brophy and seconded by C'lr Chisholm that the Town of Mulgrave approves the motion forwarded to the Province by the Chair of Region 2A in support of a province wide ban on single use plastic shopping bags under the terms and conditions noted above.

Motion Carried

7. Guysborough County Early Years Networking Committee -donation request was deferred until the budget meeting on May 22nd.

8. Additions to Agenda

Marina -the use and management of the Marina came under question with concerns over safety and operations. It was noted that the Marina was operated by a committee and not the Town and that the Marina association would have their own insurance coverage to cover mishaps. It was noted that there is dredging scheduled in this area later this year. A Councillor agreed to write a letter of concern.

Tree Cutting-the Mayor brought to the attention of Council that a number of citizens approached him with requests to have trees cut down to provide for a better viewing of the Strait. It would have to be determined who owns the land and if not Town land, what we as a Town are permitted to do on privately owned property. Public works to be requested to do a site visit.

Illegal Dumping-the enforcement officer from ERSW investigated an illegal dump site in Town and has served the offender. Other areas of illegal dumping in Town were commented on .Also, it was noted that there is the availability of litter cleanup grants of up to \$1,200 per community from ERSW.

Gallery

The matter of needing a person to schedule the foot clinic client's timetable was discussed. A person would be needed to make calls to participants to schedule them in to the monthly visit from the foot clinician. D/M Brophy agreed to take on this task on a volunteer basis. Mayor Hadley thanked the Deputy Mayor for assisting in this medical service to the community. Posters to be placed at the Town Hall and Post Office informing the public of the new contact person.

Adjournment

Moved by C'lr Chisholm and sec'd by C'lr Russell that the meeting adjourn.
Adjournment at 7:27pm

Motion c'rd

Minutes approved by:

Mayor Ralph Hadley

Minutes recorded by:

CAO Jim Davis